

As required by 37 C.F.R. §1.121, a "marked up" version of the replacement section of the specification is attached with additions indicated by underlining and deletions by brackets.

AUTHORIZATION

No additional fee is believed to be necessary.

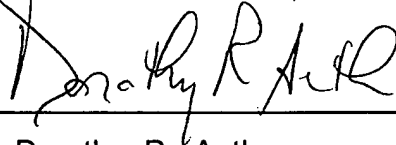
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 2629-4017.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition and for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 2629-4017. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS SHOWING CHANGES MADE

Please amend the title as follows:

DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS BY [TARGET]
TYPE-SPECIFIC HYBRID CAPTURE METHOD